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## 'I HAVE LET MY FAMILY DOWN'

## WORLD'S NO. 1 GOLFER SAYS HE REGRETS 'TRANSGRESSIONS' AND ISN'T PERFECT

Tiger Woods said he let his family down with "transgressions" he regrets "with all of my heart," and that he will deal with his personal life behind closed doors.

His statement Wednesday follows a cover story in Us Weekly magazine that reports a Los Angeles cocktail waitress claims she had a 31-month affair with the world's No. 1 golfer.

"I have not been true to my values and the behavior my family deserves," Woods said on his Web site. "I am not without faults and I am far short of perfect. I am dealing with my behavior and personal failings behind closed doors with my family. Those feelings should be shared by us alone."

Woods did not offer details of any alleged relationship.

"I have let my family down and I regret those transgressions with all of my heart," he said.

"I will strive to be a better person and the husband and father that my family deserves," Woods said. "For all of those who have supported me over the years, I offer my profound apology."

The cocktail waitress, Jaimee Grubbs, told the magazine she met Woods at a Las Vegas nightclub the week after the 2007 Masters—two months before Woods' wife, Elin Nordegren, gave birth to their first child. Grubbs claims to have proof in

## THE FINAL TALLY

Tiger Woods caused \$3,200 in property damage, wasn't wearing a seat belt and was driving erratically outside his Florida home before crashing into a tree, according to a final report released Wednesday.

300 text messages.

About three hours before Woods' statement, the magazine published what it said was a voicemail—provided by Grubbs—that Woods left on her phone Nov. 24, three days before his middle-of-the-night car crash outside his home in Florida.

Woods has been subjected to more media headlines during the past week than when he first won the Masters in 1997 and set off the first wave of Tigermania. He has spoken only three times through his Web site, although this was his longest posting.

"Although I am a well-known person and have made my career as a professional athlete, I have been dismayed to realize the full extent of what tabloid scrutiny really means," Woods said. "For the last week, my family and I have been hounded to expose intimate details of our personal lives."

# NBC deal could shift television

## **Associated Press**

General Electric Co.'s agreement to buy out the portion of NBC Universal it doesn't already own paves the way for the sale of a controlling stake to Comcast Corp. in a deal that promises to reshape the entertainment industry.

GE has reached a tentative agreement to buy out French media conglomerate Vivendi SA's 20 percent stake in NBC Universal, a person with knowledge of the talks told The Associated Press late Monday. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the negotiations were private and the companies' agreement has not yet been formalized.

## EBATE

Although the deal holds the promise that movies could reach cable TV more quickly after showing in theaters, and that TV shows could appear faster on cell phones, it already has raised concerns that Comcast would wield too much power over entertainment.

The news lessens the uncertainty surrounding GE's planned sale of a 51 percent stake in NBC Universal to Comcast, the largest U.S. cable provider. That deal would make Comcast one of the nation's largest entertainment companies rivaling the heft of its former takeover target, The Walt Disney Co.

Comcast, which is based in Philadelphia, is expected to pay GE about \$5 billion to \$7 billion in cash and contribute about \$6 billion to \$7 billion worth of cable channels it owns, such as E! and Style, into a new NBC Universal joint venture. GE would transfer about \$8 billion to \$10 billion in debt to the joint venture.

GE, which is based in Fairfield, Conn., and acquired NBC in 1986, would own a 49 percent stake in the new NBC Universal but is expected to completely divest its holdings after several years.

An agreement was supposed to have been announced weeks ago, but GE's talks with Vivendi have been taking longer than expected.

## Bagels 101

Who keeps track of stuff like this? Well, The New York Times, for one. It has some fascinating facts about bagels. Check out the digits behind the dough.

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Number of bagels Americans ate at home last year.

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Average number of bagels a person eats per year, according to marketresearch group NPD.

**1,979:** Number of people who cut their fingers so badly they had to go to the emergency room last year. The Wall Street Journal calls these BRI (Bagel Related Injuries).

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## Beards make the man ... sexy

Beards are back—and thank goodness for that.

Flip through People Magazine's recent sexiest man alive issue and you will see beards on many of the men, including cover boy Johnny Depp. I don't know if it's art imitating life or the reverse, but beards on men seem to be hot right now, in more ways than one.

There is something about a nice beard on a man that really makes him look, well, like a man. Add a pair of glasses and a nice smile and—excuse me while I swoon.

There are some people that take it too far, however.

You've all seen those hipster guys from Ukrainian Village who look

Take a look

around the

lumberjack

train/bus/office/

convention you

are in and I bet

have a full face

of fluff. Some

wear it better

than others.

at least five guys

like they started growing their facial hair when they were 15 and haven't trimmed it since. These beards are way past sexy fuzz.

Note guys: This is not a good look. It makes 25-year-olds look like they're 40. Not to mention I imagine there are always food crumbs in their beard. No thanks.

To reiterate: A neat and trimmed beard on Jake Gyllenhaal = sexy. The unkempt wilderness look of a Pa Ingalls (from "Little House on the Prarie") = not so sexy.

Also, what I call the Amish beard—no mustache and sides shaved down to the thick line—are not flattering.

In the '90s the grunge goatee was the "in" look for dudes. I'll admit that I sported

one all through college and at various times had a soul patch like Ty Pennington. I like to think I rocked it, but I probably looked like a complete idiot.

In the early 2000s the facial fad was the pornstache, which was funny for 5 minutes but then immediately became stupid. Thankfully for me and everyone around me, I never got on that 'stachewagon.

And now heading into 2010, it seems like it's the full beard as the whiskers du jour. Take a look around the train/bus/office/lumberjack convention you are in and I bet you see at least five guys with a full face of fluff.

Some wear it better than others. (Nothing is worse than the guy who is trying to grow a beard but all he can produce is a few spotty tufts. They end up looking like a dog with mange.)

Those who can't grow facial hair to save their lives or whose attempts at facial hair are patchy and gross like Mark Wahlberg in "The Perfect Storm," can always buy a beard cap from **beardhead.com**. It's a knit facial cap/cozy that looks like a Viking beard and 'stache. All for the low-low price of \$29.99.

Although nothing looks and feels as good as the real deal.  $\mbox{{\it Jasonstelle}}$  is a redeye special contributor.



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# TRANSIT TRADE-OF

## CASH-STRAPPED AGENCY LOOKS TO BUSINESSES FOR HELP—BUT IS IT WORTH IT?

## **By Tracy Swartz**

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The North/Clybourn station on the Red Line is no CTA gem.

Better outdoor lighting would spotlight peeling paint and scratched glass at the entry ways. Sections of the ceiling are missing paint, the escalators crackle and tiles on the wall show signs of scrubbed graffiti.

Riders have written to RedEye about the stop, with one going so far as to call it "depressing," "damp" and the "worst." Consider the scene on a recent Monday evening: A small, gated room off the front entrance housed a large trash receptacle and a stack of boxes.

But change is set to come to the station, which sees about 4,500 riders each weekday, according to the CTA, and is one of a few points along the Red Line that spark rider gripes. The station's new neighbor, Apple, which has broken ground on a store near the intersection where the station stands, has finalized a deal with the CTA to refurbish the North/Clybourn stop at no cost in exchange for leasing a strip of city land for free. Apple also would get first dibs on the naming rights of the station if the CTA decides to sell those rights, according to the parties involved.

At a time when Chicago residents are crying foul over the city's lease of its parking meters to a private company and leaders have talked of privatizing Midway Airport—a deal that fell through earlier this year—some CTA riders expressed concerns that future improvements to their stations through deals similar to the one struck with Apple could potentially come at a price: Excessive branding of a public space.

"I don't believe in corporate sponsorship like that," Dan Kleinman of Edgewater said when asked by RedEye about naming rights in exchange for corporate sponsorship. "It's not a stadium. ... [The station] is owned by the neighborhood."

The CTA doesn't sell naming rights to its stations, and the reliance on outside help to improve stations isn't new. The agency started the Adopt-a-Station program in 1997 to develop partnerships with community groups and busi-



nesses to enhance the appearance of stations. However, the caliber of the deal with Apple appears to be the most ambitious partnership to date for the financially troubled agency because of the amount of money to be pumped into the station.

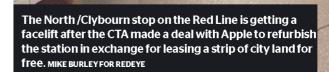
Facing a \$300 million shortfall in 2010 revenue, the Chicago Transit Board voted last month to cut service and lay off employees.

Green Line rider Renee Hall of Auburn Gresham said she doesn't mind if the CTA leans on outside companies for help, as long as fare costs don't rise like the parking meters rates after they fell under private control.

"If they want advertising that's OK, but if they're talking about changing the prices ... The rates are already high enough," said Hall, 30. "I think asking for help isn't bad, as long as you don't rely too heavily on someone else."

Under the CTA-Apple agreement, Apple is paying to renovate the station exterior, interior and platforms for no more than \$3.9 million. The work on this station likely would be completed by Sept. 30, 2010, under the deal, which is "now in the signature process," according to the CTA. The CTA said the next step is to apply for permits to begin work on the station. There is no indication the plan would affect fares.

Apple spokeswoman Amy Barney declined to give details about station specifics but told RedEye, "We're thrilled to have started construction on the Apple Store Lincoln Park, and we look forward to working with the City of Chicago and the CTA on improvements to the nearby 'L' station."



Several other stations also could use a facelift. The CTA is undergoing a study of future rehabilitation of the Purple Line and the northern section of the Red Line.

This week, the CTA presented potential renovation plans at open houses, one of which John Adorno of Edgewater attended. Adorno, 20, said he was interested to see how the CTA would improve his home station, Granville on the Red Line, and the station near his school, Loyola on the Red Line.

Viaducts at the Loyola station are in bad shape and water regularly leaks through the ceiling there, Adorno said. The Loyola junior said he's a "bit ashamed" that the "look and feel of the station is just run down."

When asked by RedEye, Adorno said he

would welcome help from outside businesses to improve this station, but he balked at the thought of any business putting its name on his university's station.

He suggested naming honorary streets for the businesses or showcasing the businesses' names inside the station as advertisements. "I guess there are limitations," Adorno said. "Like if a strip club wanted to clean up an 'L' stop."

The CTA is "is continually evaluating a variety of potential partnerships in efforts to improve the CTA," CTA spokeswoman Katelyn Thrall said in an e-mail.

The agency said it is in the process of updating its Adopt-a-Station program. Past adoptions primarily involved artwork efforts at or around CTA rail stations, but CTA President Rich Rodriguez

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next year. The CTA is undertaking a study

Red Line station to the Linden Purple Line

The CTA says the study "will provide

work in the future" and is seeking opinions

to northredpurple@transitchicago.com

or mailed to Jeff Wilson of Chicago Transit

Riders also can call 312-681-3091 or visit an

open house from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday at Fleetwood-Jourdain Center, 1655 Foster St.

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of the Red and Purple Lines from the Addison

"would like to expand the scope to include physical improvements that go beyond artwork. One idea that is being explored, for example, is more active partnerships that could include ongoing volunteer efforts," Thrall wrote.

The CTA said it hopes to re-launch the Adopt-A-Station program in the spring.

In the meantime, Miguel Casarez of Oak Park said his Clark/Lake station could use an update and he wouldn't mind if private money was used. When asked by RedEye, Casarez he said wouldn't want the CTA to completely come under private influence.

"It is a concern, but it's probably inevitable," said Casarez, 28. "[The CTA] has exceeded their budget by so much, it's bound to happen."

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# How'd that station get its name?



The CTA doesn't sell naming rights to its stations and typically names them according to the nearest cross street or intersection, CTA spokeswoman Katelyn Thrall said.

But the CTA sometimes highlights prominent destinations in its station names, such as O'Hare and Midway airports, Skokie and Rosemont, Thrall said

Landmarks also are used to differentiate stations in close proximity such as the Sox-35th station on the Red Line and

the 35th-Bronzeville-IIT stop on the Green Line.

Meanwhile, some "L" stations mention nearby attractions including the Cermak-Chinatown and Loyola stops on the Red Line and the Conservatory-Central Park Drive stop on the Green Line, for the nearby Garfield Park Conservatory. The Library-State/Van Buren station in the Loop refers to the Harold Washington Library. But there are some name mysteries. While the station closest to U.S. Cellular Field is known as Sox-35th, the stop closest to Wrigley Field is simply known as "Addison."

Thrall explains that, "Wrigley Field as we know it today didn't exist when the Red Line Addison station opened in 1900. However, CTA's appreciation for the Chicago Cubs is clearly evident at the station," citing the Cubs artwork inside the station.

In 1998, Chicago artist Steve Musgrave adopted the Red Line Addison station as part of the CTA's Adopt-A-Station program and added murals featuring Cubs legends Billy Williams, Ferguson Jenkins, Ryne Sandberg and Ernie Banks, Thrall said. TRACY SWARTZ



# Wilson stop's facelift: Close, but no cigar

Riders of the Wilson station, which was offered a facelift from a private company earlier this year, are out of luck. The Red Line station, plagued with peeling paint and urine odor, will have to wait to get a complimentary cleanup.

Sungloss Marble, a company based in West Town, reached out to the CTA in March and offered to clean the Uptown station's entryway for free. This wasn't the first time Sungloss offered to help clean up the CTA. The company

polished the floor of the Red Line's Lawrence stop at no cost about 15 years ago, according to Sungloss.

After RedEye wrote about Sungloss' offer in August, the CTA and Sungloss officials met to discuss details, but the CTA did not accept Sungloss' offer until October, said Lisa Park, Sungloss vice president of business development.

The CTA said management changes in the facilities maintenance department delayed the agency's response to Sungloss.

By the time Sungloss and the CTA reached a deal, time had run out for a 2009 renovation. Sungloss needs 45-degree weather on a weekend to complete the work, Park said. Because the weather already has turned chilly, the work likely can't be done until the spring, Park said.

"[CTA officials] basically dragged their feet too long," Park said. [TRACYSWARTZ]

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Members of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources patrol the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal on Wednesday near Romeoville. Biologists with the department are dumping the toxin rotenone into the canal to kill off the invasive Asian carp. WILLIAM DESHAZER/TRIBUNE

## Asian carp attack

## Officials dumping poison into canal to kill invasive species

## **Chicago Tribune**

Wildlife biologists to Asian carp: It's on.

Illinois' Department of Natural Resources launched chemical war Wednesday night against the invasive Asian carp in a 6-mile stretch of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal near Romeoville, an aggressive response to fears that carp are pushing their way north toward Lake Michigan and could devastate the Great Lakes' \$7 billion commercial fishing industry.

On a cold and windy night beside the canal, fisheries biologists dropped precise quantities of the liquid toxin rotenone from a narrow pipe above the water's surface.

For decades, biologists have used rotenone, a natural chemical, to eradicate or control invasive fish in lakes, ponds and rivers. The toxin dissipates on its own, but officials will add a neutralizing agent into the water to prevent the massive fish kill from spreading beyond the designated area.

The state is applying rotenone while the

Army Corps of Engineers works on one of two underwater electric barriers that had been erected to stop the Asian carp from advancing up the canal, a popular corridor for commercial and recreational boaters and the only continuous waterway linking the Chicago and Mississippi rivers.

The Coast Guard has shut down that section of the canal above Lockport Dam to boaters until Sunday, when the fish cleanup is expected to be finished. Dead fish will be disposed of in a landfill.

While rotenone is deadly for fish, officials say it does not pose a threat to humans, animals or other aquatic wildlife. Even so, its use is a dramatic step in the state's 15-year battle with Asian carp, a large, razor-toothed fish whose voracious appetite and prolific breeding have wreaked havoc on commercial fishing hubs along the Mississippi.

"It's time to man the barricades," said John Rogner, assistant director of the DNR. "We've simply got to protect the Great Lakes at all costs."

Biologists made the alarming discovery this year that carp had somehow managed to pass through or bypass the electric barrier, which repels fish with pulsing electric currents. Biologists want to know how many carp have made their way upstream and how far have they gone.

That's a source of considerable debate among biologists and has sparked concern among officials elsewhere that Illinois and the Army Corps of Engineers have been too lax in battling the Asian carp. Also on Wednesday, Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm wrote a letter to the state's attorney general urging him to pursue every legal tool to force Illinois to step up its defense of Lake Michigan.

Granholm raised the possibility of closing portions of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal by locking various dams that remain open to give passing barges access to the Mississippi.

# Homicide tracker

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

East Garfield Park saw two homicides last week, bringing its 2009 murder toll to 17.

A 40-year-old man was shot to death Friday in the 2700 block of West Wilcox Street, and a 30-year-old female was shot to death a day earlier in the 3400 block of West Madison Street, according to police information.

This year, the community area has seen 14 fatal shootings, two fatal stabbings and one fatal strangulation, according to a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data.

Twelve males and five females were killed. Twelve of the victims were 30 years old or younger when they died. All of the victims were black.

Citywide, November ended with 37 homicides including a fatal car crash that killed two people in Greater Grand Crossing. The driver in that crash initially was charged with reckless homicide. Police logged 38 murders in November last year. TSWARTZ@TRIBUNE.COM

Homicides from Nov. 24 to 4 p.m. Wednesday (Note: All locations had one victim.)

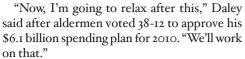
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- 3400 BLOCK OF W. MADISON ST.
  Date: Nov. 26 Cause: Gunshot
- 400 BLOCK OF S. CENTRAL AVE.
  Date: Nov. 27 Cause: Gunshot
- 2700 BLOCK OF W. WILCOX ST. Date: Nov. 27 Cause: Gunshot
- **3500 BLOCK OF W. 13TH PL.**Date: Nov. 28 Cause: Gunshot
- 1800 BLOCK OF W. 80TH ST. Date: Nov. 28 Cause: Gunshot
- **6400 BLOCK OF S. MARSHFIELD AVE.**Date: Nov. 30 Cause: Strangulation
- 6700 BLOCK OF S. EVANS AVE.
  Date: Nov. 30 Cause: Stabbing

# His budget OK'd, Daley to 'relax'

## Aldermen vote 38-12 on plan that eats into lease reserves

## **Chicago Tribune**

City Council opposition was stronger than usual Wednesday to a new Chicago budget that raids parking meter lease reserves to stay balanced, but Mayor Daley brushed off concerns about what precisely he can do down the road to keep the city afloat without gutting services.



That, critics said, is exactly the problem. By quickly gobbling up one-time windfalls and pulling other short-term budgetary strings, the Daley administration is simply postponing the need to address spending and money problems that could jeopardize the city's long-term financial stability, they said.

Still, all but a dozen aldermen backed the mayor's budget, noting that other cities were raising taxes and cutting services -- something Daley refused to do.



Mayor Daley at a press conference. MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE

"What's the alternative?" said Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, referring to the plan to draw down \$370 million in proceeds from last year's controversial lease of city parking meters to help bridge a \$520 million gap. "There isn't any. And so, we are in a hang-on mode. We have to hang on until things get better."

To balance the budget, Daley is spending \$100 million from a rainy-day fund generated by parking meter revenue and "borrowing" \$270 million more of that revenue from a fund aldermen had been told would be "perpetual."

The largely status quo budget does include one small perk: Many homeowners will get property tax relief grants that range from \$25 to \$200.

## Fallen soldier **Boston Blackie's** honored

Hundreds of students Chicago-area restaurant from Crystal Lake Central High School paid their respects Wednesday as a hearse carrying the downturn body of Army Spc. The bankruptcy filing for Jason McLeod passed

The long procession included the Patriot Guard, local police and fire department representatives as well as family and friends.

by the school he once

attended.

## files for bankruptcy

chain Boston Blackie's has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, an apparent casualty of a severe restaurant industry

**Boston Blackies Management** Co. lists \$17,000 in assets and \$6.4 million in liabilities. The company's biggest creditor is GE Capital Corp., which holds a \$5.6 million senior note.

Chapter 11 bankruptcy allows a company to reorganize its finances while continuing to do business. Boston Blackie's couldn't be immediately reached for comment.

## **Hunt for suspects** in mall shooting

Police were called to the Golf Mill Mall for a report of shots fired at about 8 p.m. Monday and found an injured 24-year-old man in a parking lot. He was taken to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge where he was listed Wednesday in stable condition.

Police believe the man drove to the mall with a large amount of marijuana with the intention to sell it. The man came in contact with someone who shot him, Davis said. He said no weapon was recovered.

Tuesday, also in the parking lot of the mall, a 15-year-old boy was run down by another teen in a what police believe was a dispute over a girl.









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## N.Y. blocks gay marriage

New York lawmakers have rejected a bill to legalize gay marriage. The Senate decision Wednesday comes after months of delays and arm twisting of lawmakers sympathetic to the bill but representing conservative districts.

## **Charges for Hasan**

The Army has charged the suspect in the Fort Hood shooting spree with 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder. The charges are in addition to the 13 premeditated murder charges filed against Maj. Nidal Hasan in the Nov. 5 massacre at Fort Hood.

## Obama backers pitch plan

Failure in Afghanistan would mean a Taliban takeover of the country and "have severe consequences for the United States and the world," Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Wednesday as the Obama administration set out to sell its new strategy on Capitol Hill.



## **Indigenous fight**

A member of the Kayapo tribe arrives Wednesday to a public hearing in Brasilia. Native communities of the Amazon rain forest are protesting the Brazilian government's decision to build the massive hydroelectric Belo Monte dam in the Xingu River. AP РНОТО

## **House arrest details**

After more than two months in a Swiss jail, Roman Polanski will be placed under house arrest at his Alpine chalet on Friday, authorities said. The 76-year-old director must stay in the house and wear an electronic bracelet.

## Iran: We're enriching

Iran said Wednesday it will enrich uranium to a higher level on its own, the latest indication the country was rejecting a U.N.-backed proposal aimed at thwarting any effort by Tehran to make material for a nuclear weapon.

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## \$45 billion

Bank of America said Wednesday it will repay the entire \$45 billion of government bailout money.

## Blackwater under pressure

RALEIGH, N.C. The man who built Blackwater USA into one of the world's most respected and reviled defense contractors feels that he was thrown under the bus after serving the nation's security interests for years.

Erik Prince's company, which renamed itself Xe Services in February after an uproar over its Iraq operations, has worked closely for years with the CIA, the State Department and the U.S. military. But it became the target of a series of federal investigations and

congressional probes, primarily for its Iraq work. Most recently, officials disclosed that the CIA tapped the company to work under a program to capture or kill terrorists.

The 40-year-old heir to a Michigan auto parts fortune told Vanity Fair in an interview released Wednesday that Xe now pays \$2 million a month in legal bills. The company is headquartered in Moyock in northeastern North Carolina.

"I put myself and my company at the CIA's disposal for some very risky missions," Prince

told Vanity Fair for its January issue. "But when it became politically expedient to do so, someone threw me under the bus."

Prince likened his case to the leak of former CIA operative Valerie Plame's identity—a disclosure that led to a special prosecutor investigating the matter.

"Well, what happened to me was worse," Prince said. "People acting for political reasons disclosed not only the existence of a very sensitive program but my name along with it."



# **EVALUATE:** LONDON In a move that could help improve relations between Google Inc. and the media industry, the Internet company is offering publishers a way to build more solid "pay walls" around their online stories while still appearing in search results.

In an official blog post Tuesday, Google said it will let publishers limit the number of restricted articles that readers can see for free through its search engine.

The change could remove a hurdle publishers face as they contemplate charging readers online. Many newspapers are considering such fees because online advertising on free sites hasn't offset the decline in print ad revenue that has come with the recession and competition from the Web.

The Wall Street Journal is perhaps the best example of how the new tool could help.

The newspaper charges for access to most articles on its site, but its pay wall is "leaky." Readers can grab the first sentence from a preview of the story, punch it into Google and access the full story in the search results.



Atlanta mayoral candidate Kasim Reed (left) celebrates with city council president Lisa Borders during his runoff election party Tuesday night. Reed led by 620 votes over Mary Norwood with all precincts reporting, but with hundreds of provisional ballots still uncounted, the race is too close to call. Officials say all the ballots will be tallied Thursday. AP PHOTO

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## sports

## Young stars, playoff excitement spark Bulls, Blackhawks-but who's got the most buzz?

By Matthew Bruce | FOR REDEYE

Six months ago, if you would've called the United Center a drug emporium, nobody would have argued with you.

Sports fans from across the city were flocking to West Madison to get high off the stadium's potent drug. Playoff fever was in the air, and Chicago sports fans were hooked.

While the Blackhawks were working on a magical push that saw them earn their first Western Conference finals bid since 1995, the Bulls were engaged in an epic seven-game showdown with the Boston Celtics that some called the best NBA playoff series ever.

The city has long come down from its high, but how much of last year's buzz has carried over to this season for the Bulls and Blackhawks? And with the 2009-10 NBA and NHL campaigns under way, which team rules the roost at the United Center?

Fans seem to have sustained a craving for both, but the rejuvenated Blackhawks have emerged from the shadows and gained considerable ground on the Bulls in popularity.

"It's a shame. I feel bad for the Bulls," said Rob Murray, 30, of Downers Grove. "I think the Hawks are going to win a Stanley Cup here in the next few years. It's going to be hockey city around here for a while with the lineup they've got going."

Despite their recent turnaround, however, the Hawks still haven't converted everyone into puck enthusiasts.

"I don't follow hockey at all so my buzz is with the Bulls," said Chicagoan Roger Kumar, 35. "I think they have a good shot. Hopefully they get out of the second round this year."

Season-ticket holder Tab Bamford, 29, of Westchester, has witnessed firsthand the energy that fills the stadium this year for Blackhawks games.

"A regular-season Blackhawks game at the United Center is as close to

a playoff game as any other regular-season event in the city," said Bamford, a die-hard who has his own blog dedicated to the team at www. committedindians.com. "A lot of that stems from the quality on the ice, but it's also a reflection of the years of frustration from the team being bad and mediocre. There's a vibe in the entire building. ... The entire game is electric."

The vibe, evidently, is not exclusive to the Blackhawks. Through the first five weeks of the season, the Bulls led the NBA in attendance, averaging more than 21,000 fans per home game.

For the resurgent Blackhawks, who led the NHL in attendance last season after ranking 29th in 2007-08, there seems to be no limit to their newfound appeal. Two years removed from drawing less than 13,000 fans per home



**SIDE BY SIDE** 

What do the numbers say about the Bulls and Blackhawks' popularity? We break it down, category by category.

season with a franchisebest base of about 14,000 season-ticket holders with a waiting list of 5,000. Through 12 home games this season, the Hawks welcomed 20,484 fans per contest to their stadium-second only to the Montreal Canadiens.

The excitement isn't just limited to the confines of the UC. The Bulls posted their second highest rated Comcast SportsNet regular-season game ever Nov. 10. The broadcast peaked at about 207,000 viewers tuning in to watch the Denver Nuggets inch out a squeaker.

"People are definitely excited about our future," said Steve Schanwald, Bulls executive vice president of business operations. "A few more wins like the one we had [Nov. 5] in Cleveland against Lebron and Shaq and our opening-night win against the San Antonio Spurs, and it'll be off to the races."

The Blackhawks, whose games aired on free TV for the first time in franchise history last season, enjoyed a 67 percent ratings boost on CSN through Nov. 23, compared to ratings a year ago.

"Putting our games on TV allowed fans to get a glimpse inside the United Center," said Dave Knickerbocker, Blackhawks senior executive director of marketing and business development. "In my estimation, hockey is the greatest sporting event to go to live."

Scarborough Sports Marketing research released in May showed the extent of the Blackhawks' rebirth. The study revealed an 11 percent increase since 2007 in the number of Chicago adults who had watched, listened to or attended a Blackhawks game in the last year. The number of women and African-Americans who identified themselves as Hawks fans more than doubled over that span.

The study, however, illustrated the relative niche appeal of hockey that the team is up against. Only 16 percent of respondents considered themselves Blackhawks fans, compared with 36 percent for the Bulls.

"Obviously the Bulls have a much bigger following nationally," Friedell said. "The Blackhawks had a lot of success, and it was a great story last year. But the city itself had to get back reconnected with the Blackhawks. They had fallen off the radar. It's a thing where I guess everybody loves being part of the new thing." MATTHEW BRUCE IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR

game, the team entered the

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SOURCE: NIELSEN MEDIA RESEARCH

Rose jersey ranked 11th SOURCE: NBASTORE.

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## **MERCHANDISE SALES**

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Rank in NBA (2008-09 season through April)

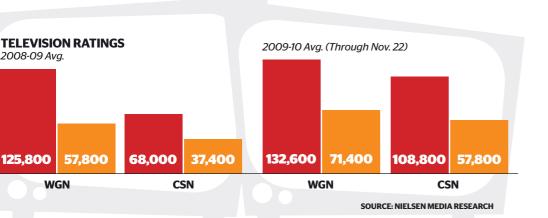
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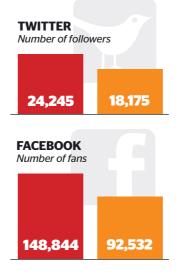
Rank in NHL (July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009)



Patrick Kane ranked 6th, Jonathan Toews ranked 7th

SOURCE: SHOP.NHL. COM







The Bulls' John Salmons (center) and Detroit's Ben Wallace (left) in action. AP

## **BULLS 92, PISTONS 85**

## Bulls best Big Bens

John Salmons scored 22 points, Derrick Rose added 19 and the Bulls ended a five-game losing streak by beating the Detroit Pistons 92-85 on Wednesday night.

Detroit's Ben Gordon made his return to the United Center and heard the boos from the crowd. Gordon, who led the Bulls in scoring the previous four seasons before signing a five-year, \$55 million contract with Detroit in the offseason, scored 18 points on 6-of-16 shooting and picked up five fouls.

» Leave it to Ron Artest to create waves in Chicago more than seven years after the Bulls traded him to Indiana.

In an upcoming issue of Sporting News magazine, Artest claims he drank cognac during halftime of Bulls games to numb the pain of the massive losing those teams endured.

"I (kept it) in my locker," Artest told the magazine. "I'd just walk to the liquor store (near the stadium) and get it."

Nine people either currently with or associated with the Bulls expressed skepticism over Artest's claim. All addressed the situation under the condition of anonymity.

"That's just Ron being Ron," one former teammate said.

» The Blackhawks will announce the contract extensions of Patrick Kane, Jonathan Toews and Duncan Keith during a Thursday afternoon news conference.

The signing of all three of the Hawks' stars was first reported in the Tribune on Nov. 17. Kane and Toews are reported to receive identical five-year, \$31.5 million deals (\$6.3 million per season) and Keith a 13-year contract for \$72 million (\$5.54 million per season).

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## Cheater, cheater

Our panelists would like to take this opportunity to apologize for their transgressions—and by transgressions, they mean these answers. redeyechicago.com/5on5.

## TOPIC

Who's more popular in your eyes: Bulls or Blackhawks?

When this season is said and When this season is such a done, will the Bulls have taken a step forward or a step backward?

What should the winning league get in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge?

One week left until most fantasy playoffs. What moves are you making to ensure your postseason berth?

What would you call your Chicago sports Christmas special?

## **BRIAN MOORE** brmoore@tribune.com

Bulls, only because basketball itself is more popular. Blackhawks, however, are vastly superior.

How come "fall on their [bleep]" is not an option?

Dick Vitale's boisterous love. Oops, he already has a steamy, on-air affair with the

At 9-3, I don't need to make a move, unless it involves me physically-in addition to virtually-squashing my foes.

"Twas the Fright Before the Playoffs."

## **KEVIN PANG** cheeseburgershow.com

Ask later ... all I see is John Cusack hoisting a boombox over his head.

They'll take one step in, one step out, in again, then shake it all about.

Winner gets to cook one of the mascots. I volunteer the meaty Terrapin.

My only fantasy move involves Ms. Spain and Photoshop.

"A Charlie Weis Christmas." Jimmy Clausen explains the true meaning of a spread option attack.

SARAH SPAIN chicagonow.com/sarahspain

Here come the Hawks ...

To paraphrase Paula (Abdul): Two steps forward, two steps

back. Until they get a big free

agent, they're going nowhere.

A free car for each participating player. All right, another free car.

Currently inventing a program that rewrites the results of the first 12 weeks.

"Stanley Cup Is Coming To Town: The No-Jinx Tale of the Chicago Blackhawks."

**VALERIE WARNER** redeyesports@tribune.com

It's a toss-up. Just don't mention that football team's name to me.

They probably will do the electric slide.

I don't even know what ACC Challenge stands for, so I think I will pass on this one.

Please, all I have is Christmas shopping on the brain, not playoffs.

> "A Christmas with No Champion."

**EVIL SUPERCOMPUTER** redeyesports@tribune.com

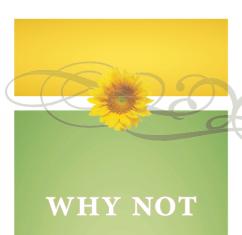
Like a virus riding in on a wellmeaning e-mail, the Hawks are slowly infecting the entire

Way back. That in turn will prevent them from signing a big free agent. Cycle continues.

Home-field advantage in the World Series.

I'm hacking into the NFL scoring system mainframe. Don't be surprised when Jay Cutler throws 56 touchdowns.

"The First Christmas Under the Rule of the Machines." Drat, I've said too much again.



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## What the Bears need

If the Bears want to return to the playoffs next year, they must view the next month as the start of the 2010 preseason. Here are five things on the to-do list.

Move Chris Williams to left tackle: The Bears drafted Williams No. 14 as the left tackle of the future and need to know if he can play the position.

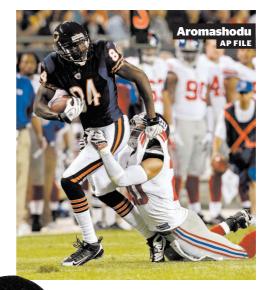
**Give Devin Aromashodu more opportunities:** Cutler lobbied Wednesday for the umpteenth time for more Aromashodu. He needs more chances to prove whether he can develop a rapport with Cutler other receivers have struggled to achieve.

Start Gaines Adams and work Jarron Gilbert into the defensive line rotation: Adams has to play a

big role next season to justify the second-round pick Jerry Angelo gave up to get him. He has looked lost but might establish himself easier with more snaps. Same for Gilbert.

Give Kahlil Bell more carries: Look, nobody is saying Bell is the next great thing, but Matt Forte has been disappointing, and it's not all the O-line.

Get a good look at Josh Beekman at center: Nobody wants to break the 113-consecutive-game streak of Olin Kreutz. But getting at least four guarters of Beekman on tape in the final five games would benefit the Bears.



**COLLEGE BASKETBALL** 

## Wednesday's results

- » Illinois 76, Clemson 74
- » DePaul 58, Alabama St. 50
- » Bradley 63, N. Illinois 49

## Thursday's games

- » UIC at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
- » Loyola at Green Bay, 7 p.m.



## WATCHDOG **By Whizzer**

Well, Tiger Woods is sorry for "transgressions." That should teach you all a lesson I've known for a long time. Never trust felines.

Here now, my TV picks.

## **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

## Oregon vs. Oregon St.

8 p.m. ESPN2

The winner gets a trip to the Rose Bowl. The loser, well, perhaps someone will send them roses.

## NFL

## N.Y. Jets vs. **Buffalo**

7 p.m. NFL Network

A winning matchup for Thursday Night Footballnot. I think I'd rather watch "Private Practice."

## » Mike North and Dan Jiggetts, the former sports radio team whose "Monsters in the Morning" TV show on Comcast SportsNet will cease at the end of the month, have found a new home. Tribune reports that WBBM-Ch. 2 is replacing its morning show with "Monsters and Money in the Morning," a hybrid news and talk program that will debut by Feb. 1.

grandfather has died at 83, and the England midfielder may leave South Africa before Friday's World Cup draw.

» David Beckham's

» Rockford 3, Wolves 2

» Allen Iverson rejoining Philadelphia 76ers, the team announced Wednesday.

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## **Market fresh**

## 12 highlights from the Chicago French Market

## **By Lisa Arnett**

A year-round, one-Chicago French stop shop serving Market cheese, cupcakes 131 N. Clinton St. and Belgian-style 312-575-0306 fries sounds like Hours: 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; something that 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. exists only in our Saturday wildest dreams. Until today, that is, when the Chicago French Market debuts inside the West Loop's Ogilvie Transportation Center.

Modeled after Europe's multi-vendor markets and hosting more than 20 individual vendors, the market's a boon for Metra commuters and folks who work nearby. But many of these stalls are worth the trip for everyone else too. (All vendors open today unless otherwise noted.)



## FOR COMMUTERS AND NEARBY WORKERS: HABIT-FORMING RITUALS

## Vanille Patisserie

Need to pick up treats for a colleague's birthday? Macaroons could be the new cupcakes thanks to pastry chefs Dimitri Fayard (who has a 2008 World Pastry Championship win on his resume) and his wife, Keli, who both run Vanille's Clybourn location. The treats come in a dozen or so flavors, from chocolate-hazelnut to lychee (\$12 a dozen).

## **Pastoral**

This trusty wine and cheese shop has been procuring picnic essentials for years at its Lakeview and Loop locations. With this third location, pre-Ravinia pick-ups in the summer couldn't be easier (the train boards right upstairs). Three checkouts (one for sandwiches and salads, the other two for wine, cheese and bread) ensure speedy service.

## Saigon Sisters

Mary Nguyen Aregoni, together with her mother and sister, joins Saigon-born chef Ryan McCaskey (Rushmore) to serve up traditional Vietnamese pho and spring rolls, plus about 10 contemporary spins on banh mi (Vietnamese French bread sandwiches),

such as braised beef short ribs with kaffir lime and hoisin-glazed pork belly (\$5-\$9).

## **Chicago Organics**

Green fiends, no need to keep your eyes peeled for the organic stickers: Everything at this grocery stand, from squash to yogurt to jam, is certified organic.

## **Delightful Pastries**

Croissants, eclairs, doughnuts, bread pudding ...
the sweet tooth-satisfying options here go on
and on. We trust they'll all be just as delicious
as those served at the bakery's long-time
Jefferson Park location and new Old Town
outpost.

## **Les Fleurs**

Hey, procrastinators: If you usually grab a pre-made bouquet from the West Loop Jewel for that last-minute birthday or anniversary, a cluster of blooms from this flower stall will seriously up your game.

## FOR EVERYONE ELSE: WHAT'S WORTH A TRIP

## Frietkoten

Dutch-born Jeroen Hasenbos (left) is behind this fry shack serving paper cones of double-fried Belgian-style frites (\$5-\$7) dressed with mayo or ketchup, plus fancier toppings such as peanut satay or wasabi sauce. "We'll give you a little fork, but in the end, your whole hand is covered in mayo because you want to get the last fry out of the bottom of the cone," he says. Expect Belgian and Dutch beer to join the lineup, hopefully by the end of the month. Opening next week.

## Canady Le Chocolatier

North Siders, save yourself a trip to Michael Canady's South Loop shop. His picture-perfect bonbons and truffles are all right here.



## Flip Crepes

French-born Antoine Elie uses his grandmother's recipe to cook up these grab-and-go crepes, which could have you rerouting your morning commute through the West Loop. Breakfast crepes (\$3.75-\$5) stuffed with maple syrup-drizzled sausage and eggs are smaller than the burrito-sized lunch versions (about \$7) filled with curry chicken, brie and fig jam, or the classic combo of ham and cheese.

## Raw

It's not every day a raw food eatery opens, so enthusiasts of all things uncooked should make a beeline for this booth stocking vegan pizza and pastas, plus other feel-good quick-grabs such as wheatgrass juice and coconut water. Opening next week.

## Abbey Brown Soap Artisan

Need a few good stocking stuffers? This local farmer's market favorite hawks hand-crafted herbstudded soaps (average \$5) alongside other trinkets such as recycled cards by Lawndale-based Woman Craft.



## **Sweet Miss Giving's**

Chocolate-toffee-pecan cookies and jumbo carrot cupcakes (\$2-\$3 each) sound sweet enough to us, even without knowing that this organization employs formerly homeless Chicagoans from the Chicago House's job training program (and donates back 51 percent of proceeds).



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## best bets

By Rebecca Palmore rkpalmore@tribune.com



## Cocktails with Crumpet

The Wit Hotel, 201 N. State St. 312-467-0200

Irreverent elf Crumpet (actor Mitchell Fain) from Theater Wit's production of "The Santaland Diaries" passes out coupons for 10 percent discounts to the show. Cash bar. 9:30 p.m. No cover.

## FREE Glitter

Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St. 312-744-6630

Browse holiday gifts and original fashions from more than 35 local designers and boutiques in Preston Bradley Hall, including Avery Layne, Eclectica by Vika, Lils Jewelry and Peachy Tan. 11 a.m.-8 p.m.



## Movember Gala

LaSalle Power Co., 500 N. La Salle St. 312-661-1122

Guys, show off your "mo" (that's Aussie for "mustache") in support of Movember, an organization raising awareness of prostate and testicular cancer. Includes contests and music. 9 p.m. \$10.

## Rock 'n' Roll Charity Auction

Park West, 322 W. Armitage Ave. 773-929-5959

Bid on signed music memorabilia from artists and bands such as Michael Jackson, Led Zeppelin and Kings of Leon. Proceeds benefit Rock for Kids. 7 p.m. \$25-\$30; \$75 for VIP.



## Ugly Sweater Pub Crawl

Redmond's, 3358 N. Sheffield Ave.

Wear your worst threads for a benefit crawl to five Lakeview bars. Includes drink specials at each stop and a \$100 prize for the homeliest sweater. 1 p.m. \$15-\$25. giveforward.org



Pulaski Park Fieldhouse, 1419 W. Blackhawk St.

Wrap up your holiday shopping in one go at this indie bazaar, featuring handmade gifts from more than 150 crafters and artists. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Through Sunday. **renegadecraft.com** 





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Heineken bottles, Beamish and Point Pale Ale drafts and potato skins at **Clutch**; 459 N. Ogden Ave. 312-526-3450.



\$4 Bell's drafts at **Moonshine**; 1824 W. Division St. 773-862-8686.

martinis at **42 Degrees N. Latitude**; 4500 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-907-2226.

## THURSDAY DEALS AND EVENTS

## **ABERDEEN**

\$2.50 Miller Lite bottles, \$5 Ultimat vodka cocktails; 1856 W. North Ave. 773-772-5500.

## **BAD DOG TAVERN**

\$7 martinis, \$10 domestic pitchers, \$6 salads (11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.); 4535 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-334-4040.

## **BLUE BAYOU**

\$1 Hamm's cans, \$3 lemon drop shots, \$3 Bud Light drafts; 3734 N. Southport Ave. 773-871-3300.

## BLUELIGHT

Industry Night. \$2 off all drinks; 3251 N. Western Ave. 773-755-5875.

## **CAGNEY'S**

\$5 bombs, buy one, get one appetizers; 2142 N. Clybourn Ave. 773-857-1111.

## THE CALL

\$4 Absolut cocktails; 1547 W. Bryn Mawr Ave. 773-334-2525.

## **CANS BAR**

\$2 domestic cans; 1640 N. Damen Ave. 773-227-2277.

## THE CEDAR HOTEL

\$2 domestic bottles, \$5 Jameson cocktails; 1112 N. State St. 312-944-1112.

## THE DARK HORSE TAP

\$1 PBR cans, \$3 SoCo Lime shots, \$10 domestic buckets; 3443 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-248-4400.

## **DURKIN'S**

\$1 well drinks; 810 W. Diversey Pkwy. 773-525-2515.

## **ENGLISH**

\$3 domestic bottles, \$5 champagne splits, \$5 Skyy bombs; 444 N. La Salle St. 312-222-6200.

## **FAITH & WHISKEY**

\$1 domestic bottles, \$4 Jack Daniel's shots and mixed drinks, live band karaoke 10 p.m.; 1365 W. Fullerton Ave. 773-248-9119.

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## **FULTON LOUNGE**

\$7 specialty martinis, \$7 quesadillas; 955 W. Fulton Market. 312-942-9500.

## THE GRAND CENTRAL

\$3 bottles and drafts, \$5 select shots; 950 W. Wrightwood Ave. 773-832-4000.

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\$2 Corona, Corona Light and Pacifico bottles, \$5 O bombs, half-price Holy Cow burger bar; 3551 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-327-7800.

## **HOPS & BARLEY**

\$3 Blue Moon drafts and Stoli cocktails, \$5 pulled pork sandwiches; 4359 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-286-7415.

## **HYDRATE**

\$3 Bud beers, \$4 Absolut cocktails; 3458 N. Halsted St. 773-975-9244.

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## KROLL'S SOUTH LOOP

\$3 Leinenkugel drafts and bottles, \$3 Bacardi cocktails, \$3 Smirnoff cocktails, \$4 Jim Beam shots, \$5 off pizzas, halfprice appetizer party baskets; 1736 S. Michigan Ave. 312-235-1400.

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## **MAHONEY'S**

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\$1.75 Gordon's vodka cocktails, \$3.50 Hacker-Pschorr bottles; 2345 N. Leavitt St. 773-394-3037.

## NICK'S ON WILSON \$3.50 Blue Moon

drafts and youcall-it shots; 1140 W. Wilson Ave. 773-271-1155.

## THE ORBIT ROOM

\$3 Miller Lite bottles, \$5 Templeton Rye cocktails, \$5 wraps; 2959 N. California Ave. 773-588-8540.

## PATSY'S PLACE

\$2.50 domestic bottles, \$1 mini-sandwiches; 2825 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-248-2825.

## **PLUSH**

\$3 beers, half-price select sandwiches; 1104 W. Madison St. 312-491-9800.

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## SOPO

\$3 Stella Artois drafts, \$4 select martinis, \$5 bombs, \$5 food; 3418 N. Southport Ave. 773-348-0100.

## **THEORY**

\$3 Blue Moon drafts, \$7 Belvedere you-call-its; 9 W. Hubbard St. 312-644-0004.

## **UNION PARK**

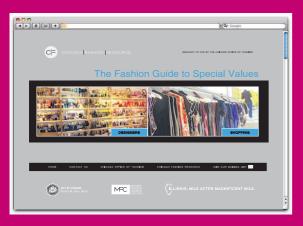
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- Mai-Tai \$9 Sampler Platters\$12 Extra Large Pizzas
- \$7 Steak or Chicken
- \$5 Van Gogh Vodka Drinks\$6 Van Gogh Bombs
- \$3 Coors Light Drafts \$4 Svedka Cocktails
- \$5 10Pin Burgers



## SATURDAY

- - 1st place winner of Wingfest '09!

- 330 N. State 312.644.0300

## SATURDAY

- \$14 Miller Light and Coors Light Buckets
  • \$6 Miller Light and Coors
  - 1/2 off all Appetizers

- 1/2 priced wings \$3 Drafts with Mug Club Membersh \$5 Crackback Shots Home of the Table Tap! email football@bullbearbar.co Book Yours Today!

SATURDAY

Pittsburgh Football

• Redskins Football

\$5 Bloody Marys

▶ \$3 All Drafts

\$15 Buckets of domesti

1325 W. Wrightwood Av

431 N. Wells St 312.527.5973

before the game and lasts until 1 hour after the game. Includes: Scarlet Mug and Bud Light drafts, Tito's Vodka Cocktails and food from the grill!

- \$14 Miller Light and Coor
- 1/2 price sandwiches

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\$1 Domestic Bottle



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\$30 per person, begins 1 hour

3660 N. Clark St 773.755.4444



SATURDAY

- \$4 Burning River Drafts
  \$15 Tito's Bloody Mary Pitchers
- \$15 Tito's Vodká Lemónade

- Brunch buffet: 10am-3pm, \$10 per person
  • \$12 Miller Lite Buckets
  - \$15 Tito's Bloody Mary Pitchers

TAVERN & GRILLE

SATURDAY

\$8 domestic drafts in

Brunch from 10am-3pm

\$6 Bloody Mary barBrunch from 10am-3pm

\$2.50 Bud Light bottles

950 W. Webster Ave

OSU Football

32-oz mugs

ALL NFL action!

• \$1 Tacos

\$2.50 Coronas



## SATURDAY

• \$3 domestics with a

## \$1 Coors Lt until kickof

• \$15 buckets all day Bloody Mary Bar\$50 1/2 bottles of

170 W. Ontario St

312.337.3477

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SATURDAY

Official Iowa

Headquarters!
• \$30 Hawkeye Package: 22oz Domestic Drafts,

Wells, Breakfast/Lunch

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3516 N. Clark St

ALL NFL action! • \$6 Bloody Mary bar • \$15.95 Brunch buffet from

10am-3pm

Michigan Football\$8 domestic drafts in

32-oz mugs • \$6 Bloody Mary bar

Brunch from 10am-3pm

SUNDAY

420 ½ W. Diversey Pkwy 773.549.9090

SATURDAY

\$3 Miller Lite Pints

\$15 Coors Light Buckets

• \$4 Captain Morgan Drinks • \$5 All Bombs & Shots

Food Specials (until 5pm

• \$1 Mini Cheeseburgers • \$1 Cups of Chili

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Corona Light
• \$6 Bloody Marys.
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3443 N. Southport Ave

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SATURDAY

Live Band Karaoke

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## SATURDAY

Illinois Football • \$25 Football Feast from 9am-5pm includes all day cookout and domestic

## drafts SUNDAY

• Steelers Football • \$3 you call its featuring 16-ounce Miller Lite car

## MONDAY

## • 1/2 PRICE JUMBO WINGS! • \$10 Coors Light Pitcher (\$2.50 Pi • \$3.50 Margarita (\$14 Pitcher) • \$3 Bottle Corona/Corona Light

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• 1/2 PRICE JUMBO WINGS!

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\$4 Blood Mary

## 670 W. Diversey Pkwy 773.327.7040

SATURDAY

\$5 Makers

Waffles

after 6

• \$10 pitchers • \$7 Breakfast Stack

\$5 Bloody Mary's\$7 Mimosa Bar

\$12 New York Strip Din

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• \$7 Fried Chicken and

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## SATURDAY

- \$7 32oz Bud/Bud Lite OSU Souvenir mugs (refillable \$3 Shiner Bock Drafts
- \$3 Bloody Mary/Mimosa

- \$3 Domestic Drafts • \$3 Bloody Mary/Mimo:
- \$3 Bombs \$10 Brunch Buffet

\$3 Burger and Fries\$5 Shrimp and Chips

SATURDAY

Wisconsin Football

\$7 domestic drafts in

32-oz mug • \$5.50 Bloody Mary bar

Brunch from 10am-3pm

Vikings Football\$15 buckets of Coors

Light, Miller Lite, Bud

• \$5.50 Bloody Mary bar • Brunch from 10am-3pn

\$3 You call its

• 1/2 price appetizers • Trivia

3358 N. Sheffield Ave

950 W. Wrightwood Ave

## 👺 the GRAND CENTRAL 💆

- \$3 All Drafts • \$3 Bombs



## SATURDAY

- \$5 Bacardi Cocktails \$3.50 Blue Moon Drafts
  \$3 Coors Light Bottles
  \$10 Big 10 Appetizer • \$5 22oz Well Drinks • \$5 Bama Bombs
  - 1/2 off appetizers

Harry Caray's Taver Football Brunch

3551 N. Sheffield Ave

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SATURDAY

• \$5 Bloody Mary's • \$15 (5) Bud and Bud Light

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22 W. Hubbard St

\$5 Mimosa's

**Buckets of Beer** 

\$6 Gameday Plates

• \$5 Mimosa's

**Buckets of Beer** 

• \$6 Bloody Marys • \$3 Miller Bottles



\$4 22oz Domestic Drafts

3438 N. Clark St

SATURDAY

Watch all Big 10 and

welcome all Wisconsin Fans!

SATURDAY & SUNDA

• \$10 All You Can Handle

• \$3 Bud Light & Miller Lite

MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBAL

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\$2 Domestics

Brunch Buffet

Drafts

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• \$5 22oz Well Drinks

• \$5 Dallas Star Shots

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\$10 All You Can Handle

- Talk Bears Football every
- Moon Pints • \$4 Brats with fries and slav \$5 Certified Angus Burgers

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SATURDAY

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Illini Sports Bar \$15 Miller/Coors Buckets

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

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SATURDAY

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- Absolut Bloody Mary
   \$10 32oz Michigan Cup w/ \$6 refills of Bud Light
- \$5 Burger Baskets
- Eagles Football
   \$6 Build-Your-Own-Absolut Bloody Mary
- \$8 Domestic Pitchers \$2 Domestic Drafts

• \$4 Well Drinks

\$4 Philly Cheese Steaks























































































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## All Jack'd up

## By the Great Burgerelli

When you close your eyes and picture a true neighborhood restaurant, you picture Jack's on Halsted. Classic American fare, dependable cocktails, weeknight deals, middle-of-the-road prices—it's all there, just like it has been for the last 12 years.

But even reliable old neighborhood fixtures need a tune up from time to time, and last month, Jack's got one. The remodeled space is more open, with greater focus on the bar area. There's fresh paint, new light fixtures and some slick new granite-topped tables up front. For a single-minded man such as the Great Burgerelli, however, all that is of little consequence in comparison to the burger menu, which went from a mere two options to a robust seven (\$7.95-\$10.25), plus a trio of mini burgers, a stuffed burger (sans bun) and a buffalo option.

## **BURGERELLI'S BREAKDOWN**

The burger: By outward appearances,

this 9-ounce patty should have been lovely. It was plump, juicy and showed all the signs of time well spent on the grill. But a knife through a dark red center revealed something amiss. The medium rare burger I ordered arrived rare—very rare. A dash more salt might have made the ensuing slog through the cool, mushy center more pleasant, but in addition to being undercooked, the patty also was underseasoned.

**The bun:** In a market overrun with brioche and pretzel bread, a sesame bun seems a lovely throwback. And I do so appreciate a retro touch. The bun was toasted nicely, but I dare say it could have used a dab of butter.

**The fixings:** Limp romaine and overripe tomato slices did not bode well for more ambitious toppings. Roasted poblanos and pepper jack cheese curiously failed to deliver much kick on the Spicy Hot burger (\$9.75), and the mushrooms on the New York burger (\$9.75) would do well to recruit the beef patty and rise



up together against crimes of underseasoning. Thank goodness for bacon. The smoky, crunchy strips triumphed against the odds.

**Everything else:** If there is redemption to be found, it lies somewhere within these delightful fries, coated in seasoning before frying for superb flavor and crunch. They also provided distraction

from a tiny ramekin of cole slaw, which I yearned to send back to the 1950s block party from whence it came.

**Burgerelli's bottom line:** Change is only good when the burgers are too.

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8 p.m. \$12-\$15. Reggie's Rock Club, 2109 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

## **MARIE DIGBY**

That's a pretty voice. With Alpha Rev. 7 p.m. \$12. Lincoln Hall, 2424 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-525-2508.

## THE SWELL SEASON, **RACHAEL YAMAGATA**

Prepare to get emotional. 8 p.m. \$32.50-\$40. Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Congress Pkwy. 800-982-2787.



## THURSDAY CONCERTS

## **ALAN GRESIK'S SWING SHIFT ORCHESTRA** 9 p.m. \$6. Green Mill.

4802 N. Broadway. 773-878-5552.

## **ANTHONY MOLINARO**

9:30 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. Uncommon Ground on Devon. 1401 W. Devon Ave. 773-465-9801.

## **BIG C JAMBOREE** WITH NICK WILLETE

9:30 p.m. Free. Martyrs', 3855 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-404-9869.

## **BLACK BLOOM,** LOVE IN OCTOBER, KADMAN, WHERE'S EDDY, DISH

8:30 p.m. \$8. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

## BMR-4

9 p.m. \$10. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

## **CASIOTONE FOR THE PAINFULLY** ALONE, CAINS AND ABELS, **MACHINESHOP**

8:30 p.m. \$7. Beat Kitchen, 2100 W. Belmont Ave housecallent.com

## **CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

8 p.m. \$22-\$109. Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave. 312-294-3000.

## **CHUCK PROPHET, MUSIKANTO**

9 p.m. \$15. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508

## **COREY WILKES QUARTET**

8 and 10 p.m. Cover varies. Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Ct. 312-360-0234

## **DION PAYTON**

9:30 p.m. \$10. Buddy Guy's Legends, 754 S. Wabash Ave. 312-427-0333.

## **ERIN MCDOUGALD**

8 p.m. Cover varies. The **Underground Wonder** Bar, 10 E. Walton St. 312-266-7761.

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9:30 p.m. \$14. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600.

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9:30 p.m. \$5. Rosa's Lounge, 3420 W. Armitage Ave. 773-342-0452.

## LESLIE **BUEKLEMAN TRIO**

9 p.m. \$8. Pops for Champagne, 601 N. State St. 312-266-7677.

## **LINDA EDER**

7:30 p.m. \$60. Park West, 322 W. Armitage Ave. 773-929-5959.

## LOUIS AND THE HUNT, PANDA RIOT

9 p.m. \$8. Subterranean, 2011 W. North Ave. housecallent.com

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8:30 p.m. \$20-\$22. Abbey Pub, 3420 W. Grace St. 773-478-4408.

## **MUSIC IN THE** AIR HOLIDAY **CHORAL SERIES** 12:30 p.m. Free with

museum admission. Art Institute of Chicago, 111 S. Michigan Ave. 312-443-3600.

## **ODE, AARON FOX** AND THE RELIABLES, THE ARMOR CLASS, A LIGHT SLEEPER

8 p.m. \$5-\$8. Bottom Lounge, 1375 W. Lake St. 312-666-6775.

## PIETA BROWN, **AMI SARAIYA**

9 p.m. \$12. Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

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5 p.m. \$5. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

## **SKETCHES**

8:30 p.m. Cover varies. The Velvet Lounge, 67 E. Cermak Rd. 312-791-9050.

## T'BONE, JABBERJOSH, **ALL REAL NUMBERS**

8 p.m. \$7. Ronny's, 2101 N. California Ave. mpshows.com

## **VITO'S ATOMIC LOUNGE, ANNE** RAMSELL, EUGENIA **ELLIOT, AIMEE HAYNES, ALLISON** WILLIAMS, FRED **BRANDSTRADER**

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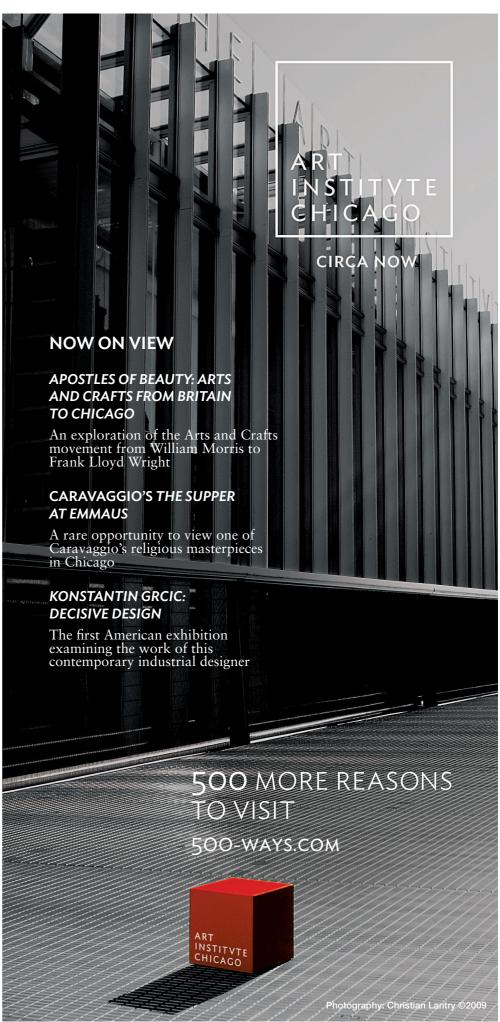




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Santos

## By Kent Green

You may not know Matthew Santos' name, but you probably know his voice.

The Minneapolis-born and Chicago-based singer-song-writer sang the hooks on the Lupe Fiasco hits "Superstar" and "American Terrorist," among others. Now Santos is

prepping his latest album with a preview party Friday at Lincoln Hall.

"We're trying to go as big as we can with it, with the limited budget that we have," Santos told RedEye. "[My band and I] see it as the start of a new chapter in our career and in my life, so it's sort of a kick-off party for that."

Santos will release the new album, called "This Burning Ship of Fools," in March on his own, Chicago-based label, LoveSickFoolRecords.

Santos said he'd like to use the label to give other artists exposure, much like Fiasco did for him.

"Ultimately what I aspire to do is find other artists who have similar visions or passions and, through my success or my hopeful success, take them on tour with me," he said. "Then they have a built-in audience that they can release their stuff to as well."

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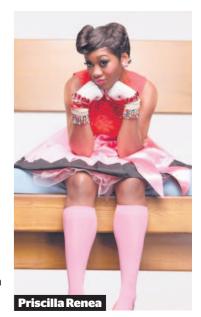
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## **Priscilla Renea**

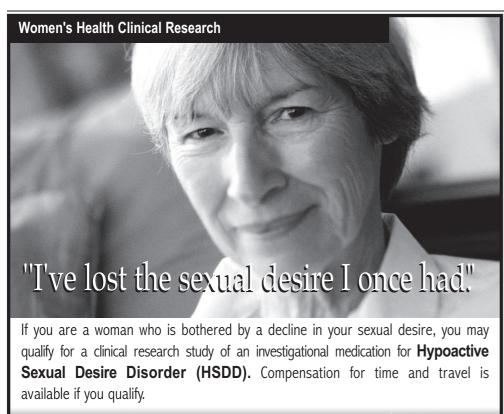
"Jukebox" (Capitol Records)

It's easy to approach a heavily produced artist like Priscilla Renea with skepticism

and assume the 21-year-old pop singer is just another gal with a nice voice and a bunch of songs about relationships. Yet "Jukebox" isn't about cheesy, clunky lyrics. It's got several songs that not only stick in your head but sound like the girl singing them legitimately believes in what she's doing. First single "Dollhouse," between its infectious beat and empowering declaration of "I ain't a doll, this ain't a dollhouse," has "big hit" written all over it, while the spunky "Mr. Workabee" cleverly reminds a guy



with a wandering eye that he's got a queen at home. "Baby Please" and "Stone Garden" are too generic to be anything more than pretty, but "Rockabye" is a terrifically funkdified groove about young parenthood that Lily Allen will wish she could have had for herself. Anyone who hears "Jukebox" probably won't be happy to hear that Renea, who's also a pianist and guitarist, was at Lollapalooza a few months ago. You didn't see her, did you? MATT PAIS



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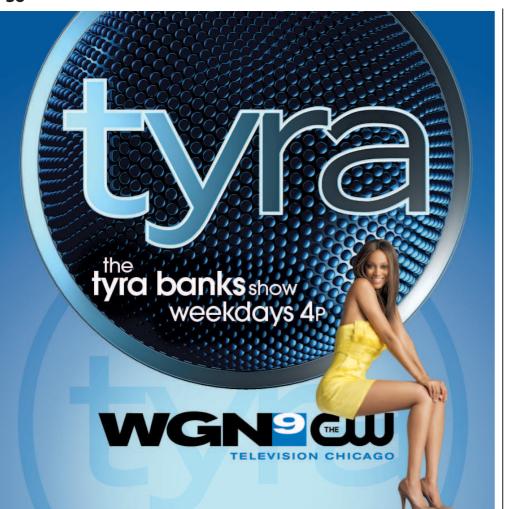
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■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) ★ 4:45,7:20,10:00

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Old Dogs (PG) 1:00,3:15,5:30,7:45,10:00
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A Serious Man (R) 2:00,4:45,7:30,10:05

■ An Education (PG-13) 1:45,4:20,7:00,9:45

Red Cliff (R) 1:35.5:00.8:30

Coco Before (PG-13) 1:30,4:10,9:50

New York (B) 1:50 4:25 7:20 9:55 Fantastic Fox (PG) 2:00,4:50,7:15,9:30

**CITY NORTH 14 (KERASOTES)** 

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Armored (PG-13) ★ 12:01 A.M. Brothers (R) ★ 12:01 A.M.

Glenn Beck's Christmas Sweater: A Return to

Redemption - Live (NR) ★ 7:00 P.M. Ninja Assassin (R) \* 12:40,3:20,6:15,7:20,9:15,10:00,12:01

Old Dogs (PG) \* 12:20,1:45,3:00,4:10,5:20,6:40,7:50,9:00,10:20

The Blind Side (PG-13) ★ 12:50,1:15,3:50,4:20,6:50,9:50

■ Planet 51 (PG) ★ 12:10.2:45.10:05

Planet 51 (PG) 12:01 A.M.

■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) ★ 1:00,1:30,2:00,4:00,4:30,5:00, 7:00,7:30,8:00,10:00,10:30

■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) 12:01 A.M

■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) ★ (Closed caption) 12:30,3:30,6:30,9:30 ■ 2012 (PG-13) 12:15,2:20,3:40,6:05,7:10,9:40,10:35

CITY NORTH 14 (KERASOTES) (conti

Precious: Novel (R) 2:30,5:30,8:15,10:45

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■ Old Dogs (PG) 1:10,3:15,5:20,7:25,9:35 ■ Fantastic Fox (PG) 1:05,3:10,5:25,7:30,9:40

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■ Christmas Carol (PG) 2:00,4:05,6:05,8:10

■ Astro Boy (PG) 2:10 6:20

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■ Hannah Free (NR) 8:15 P.M.

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■ Paranormal Act (R) 2:15,4:20,6:30,8:40

■ C'mas Carol 3D (PG) 2:10,4:40,7:15,9:45

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■ Ninja Assassin (R) 1:00,2:00,3:20,4:20,5:40,6:40,8:00,9:00,10:1

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■ 2012 (PG-13) 1:00 2:10 4:15 5:45 7:35 9:15

■ Earth Days (NR) 6:00,8:00 ■ New Nippon (NR) 6:00 P.M

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■ Michael Jackson (PG) 2:00,4:05,6:10,8:20

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■ The Messenger (R) 5:00,7:20,9:40

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Inglourious (R) 4:10.7:30 ■ AMC Select Boondock II (R) 2:20,5:00,7:45

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■ Everybody (PG-13) 12:01 A.M. Glenn Beck's Christmas Sweater: A Return to

Redemption - Live (NR) 7:00 P.M. ■ AMC Select Boondock II (R) 1:15,7:00 ■ Old Dogs (PG) 11:20,12:50,1:50,3:30,4:30,6:10,7:10,8:50,9:50

■ Fantastic Fox (PG) 12:40,3:20,6:00,8:40,11:00 ■ AMC Select The Road (R) 11:00,2:00,5:00,8:00,10:50

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■ 2012 (PG-13) 12:00.3:40.7:30 AMC Select Pirate Radio (R) 4:00,10:10

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■ Michael Jackson (PG) 1:35 P.M

■ Fantastic Fox (PG) ★ 12:15,2:45,5:15,7:45,10:10

■ The Blind Side (PG-13) ★ 12:40.1:20.3:40.4:40.6:50.7:40.9:40.10:35

■ Planet 51 (PG) ★ 1:50.4:15.6:45.9:15 ■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) ★ 12:30,1:00,1:30,2:00,3:00,3:30,

■ C'mas Carol 3D (PG) 1:45.4:10.6:40.9:10

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■ Precious: Novel (R) 12:50,3:50,7:15,9:45

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(800) 326-3264 #1641 ■ George Michael (NR) ★ 7:30 P.M

Redemption - Live (NR) ★ 7:00 P.M

The Blind Side (PG-13) ★ 12:15,1:15,3:15,4:15,6:15,7:15,9:15,10:15 ■ Twilight: Moon (PG-13) ★ 12:30,1:00,1:30,3:30,4:00,4:30,

2012 (PG-13) 3:00,6:45,10:10

■ C'mas Carol 3D (PG) 1:40.4:10 ■ Men Who Stare (R) 1:10.3:50 ■ Where the Wild (PG) 1:20 P.M

AMC Select An Education (PG-13) 11:30,2:05,4:55,7:35,10:15

■ Ninja Assassin (R) ★ 12:20,2:10,2:50,4:45,5:20,7:20,8:10,9:55,10:45

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■ Boondock II (B) 5:30 10:40

C'mas Carol 3D (PG) ◆ 11:35.7:20.10:00

■ Men Who Stare (R) 11:05,10:05

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■ Old Dogs (PG) ★ 12:10 1:40 2:30 4:20 5:10 7:10 7:50 9:20 10:20

■ Men Who Stare (R) 2:20,8:15

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Old Dogs (PG) ★ 12:20,1:50,2:50,4:20,5:20,6:50,7:50,9:20,10:20

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Old Dogs (PG) 12:16,2:50,5:10,740,9:55
■ The Blind Side (PG-13) ★ 12:20,1:10,3:20,4:10,6:20,7:20,9:40,10:20
■ Planet 51 (PG) ★ 14:04,2:06,6:50,9:20
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The Blind Side (PG-13) ★ 12:10,1:10,3:10,4:10,7:10,10:25

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■ Precious: Novel (R) 1:25.3:50.6:15.8:40 **2012** (PG-13) 12:00,3:15,6:30,9:45 **C'mas Carol 3D** (PG) 12:00,2:15,4:30,6:45,9:00

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Gogreen Cutting your own tree is the way to go

## Chicago Tribune

Every year, a customer asks Harvard Christmas tree farmer Ben Czarnowski if chopping down a tree is the "green" thing to do.

"In fact, by supporting the Christmas tree farmers, you are helping the environment," Czarnowski tells them. "Besides, if I didn't grow trees here, I would grow beans or corn."

Trees are renewable resources, pump oxygen into the environment, provide habitats for wild-

life and help prevent soil erosion, Czarnowski says.

Some farmers, including Czarnowski, also grow their trees organically, sans pesticides and herbicides. Should a fire occur in a house with a fresh Christmas tree, the homeowner isn't subject to the carcinogens released by some artificial trees. After Christmas, the tree is biodegradable. Many Chicago-area municipalities chip the trees for homeowners' gardens or for public parks.

All in all, cutting your own tree is an eco-smart alternative to buying an artificial one, Czarnowski savs.



## Chop 'til you drop Here are just a few of the places to go to chop down a tree. For a complete list, go to **chicagotribune.com**.

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## **FOOD**

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GLENN GAMBOA, NEWSDAY

Always hunting for the right angle, Timbaland's new single taps into the whole "Twilight" vampire zeitgeist. With Nelly Furtado and newcomer SoShy, Timbo offers a chorus of "When the cats come out, the bats come out to play" over his patented space-funk backdrop. The first single from the forthcoming "Shock Value 2" isn't brilliant, but it's certainly timely.



## COSMETICS

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## **DVD** 'Paper Heart'

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THE WASHINGTON POST





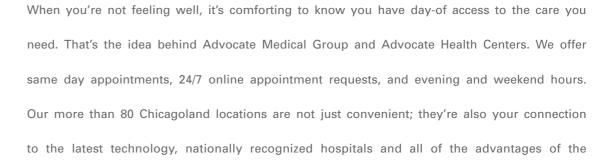












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## Despite recent troubles, **Mexico still a destination**

## **Los Angeles Times**

Between Mexico's drug war entering its fourth year and its H1N1 flu outbreak beginning with dozens of deaths and global headlines last spring, travelers have at least two reasons to study up before booking that trip to Mexico.

But it doesn't necessarily mean staying home. Mexico's drug-war death toll reached more than 9,900 by early October, according to a count by the University of San Diego's Trans-Border Institute. Many of the deaths have been near the U.S. border and far from the resorts and cities that draw thousands of Americans every year.

Robert Reid, who has contributed to Lonely Planet's Mexico volumes and serves as the New York-based U.S. travel editor for the guidebook publisher, likes to remind people that Mexico is about the size of France, Spain, Germany and Italy-combined.

Before you let trouble in one corner of the country affect your travel to another corner, he said, "Imagine a shootout in Sicily forcing a canceled vacation in Germany."

Also, as Mexican officials are quick to note, most drug-war victims so far have been active

partisans-that is, drug traffickers and law enforcement officials.

Still, there has been plenty of trouble in Mexico, and it continues. For details on the geography of Mexico's troubles, check the U.S. State Department's Web site, especially the Mexico security travel alert, at travel.state.gov/travel.

On the flu front, Mexico drew worldwide attention in April and May when H1N1 was blamed for dozens of deaths. In the offices of Passport Health Los Angeles, a travel medicine and immunization clinic, Executive Director Rayann Aziz recalled the concern that erupted.

But lately, the U.S. and Mexico are in the same position—jointly leading the world in cases.

So Aziz's advice for anybody traveling to Mexico is identical to her advice for those staying home: Get a 2009 H1N1 vaccination, especially if you're in a high-priority group, which includes pregnant women; people who live with or care for children as old as 6 months; health care and emergency medical services workers; those 6 months to 24 years old; and anyone 25 to 64 with a chronic health disorder or compromised immune system.



Mexico's fight to contain a swine flu outbreak last spring hurt the tourism industry. APFILE

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## Holiday Housewalk FRIDAY, DEC. 4th

Check-in 4:00 - 7:00 pm Walk

5:00 - 9:00 pm

SATURDAY, DEC. 5th

Check-in Noon - 3:00 pm Walk

1:00 - 5:00 pm

Holiday Market FRIDAY, DEC. 4th 11:00 am - 9:00 pm Cash Bar

7:30 - 9:00 pm

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- Be interested in learning more about minimally invasive surgery

This study will involve 3 additional visits other than the gallbladder surgery over a 3 month period. Participants will be asked to come to:

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## **ACROSS**

- Prius or Camry
- Stopped Iran's dollar
- Muhammad's family
- 15 Clamor
- White-tailed eagle
- Father Wardrobe items for Caesar
- 19 Hit Broadway musical 20 Flower that grows from a
- 22 Small bills
- 23 Apple's center
- 24 Listener's need 26 Word with video or penny
- 29 Heaven 34 Patient's cry 35 Vane direction
- 36 Unhappy 37 1/8 ounce
- 38 Bird homes 39 Stopper
- 40 Dine 41 Chairs & stools
- 42 Female relation
- 43 Pajamas with feet 45 Hesitate in action
- \_ about; be on the go with
- no real purpose 47 Metal bar
- 48 '70s lamp style
- 51 Enact laws
- 56 Deserve 57 Happening
- 58 Hockey score 60 Threesome
- 61 Perceive
- 62 Otherwise
- 63 Panty hose problem
- 64 Haughty look 65 Recolor

## **DOWN**

- Tam or beret Alda
- Morning show cohost Kelly
- Whole
- Lariat's end
- 6 Delves 7 Jacob's twin

- Pie and cake
- 9 Disc 10 Teheran's location
- Opening bet

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- 12 More or \_ 14 Wry humor
- 21 System of secret symbols
- 25 Sound of a sigh of
- relief 26 Peru's mountains
- 27 Of the countryside
- 28 Wooden box
- 41 Jacuzzi 42 Tack 44 Yuletide drink

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29 Earring stems

30 \_ and crafts 31 Tiny bit of land

surrounded by water

32 Spaghetti topper

35 Close 38 \_ to say; as is self-evident

39 Plunder-loot

33 Lawn tool

45 Speedier

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- 47 Spray water on 48 Collections
- 49 Admonish
- 50 Operatic solo 52 Like 2, 4, 6, 8, etc.
- 53 Kelly or Barry 54 Spilled the beans

- 59 Actor Marvin

# Two Words: Face book.



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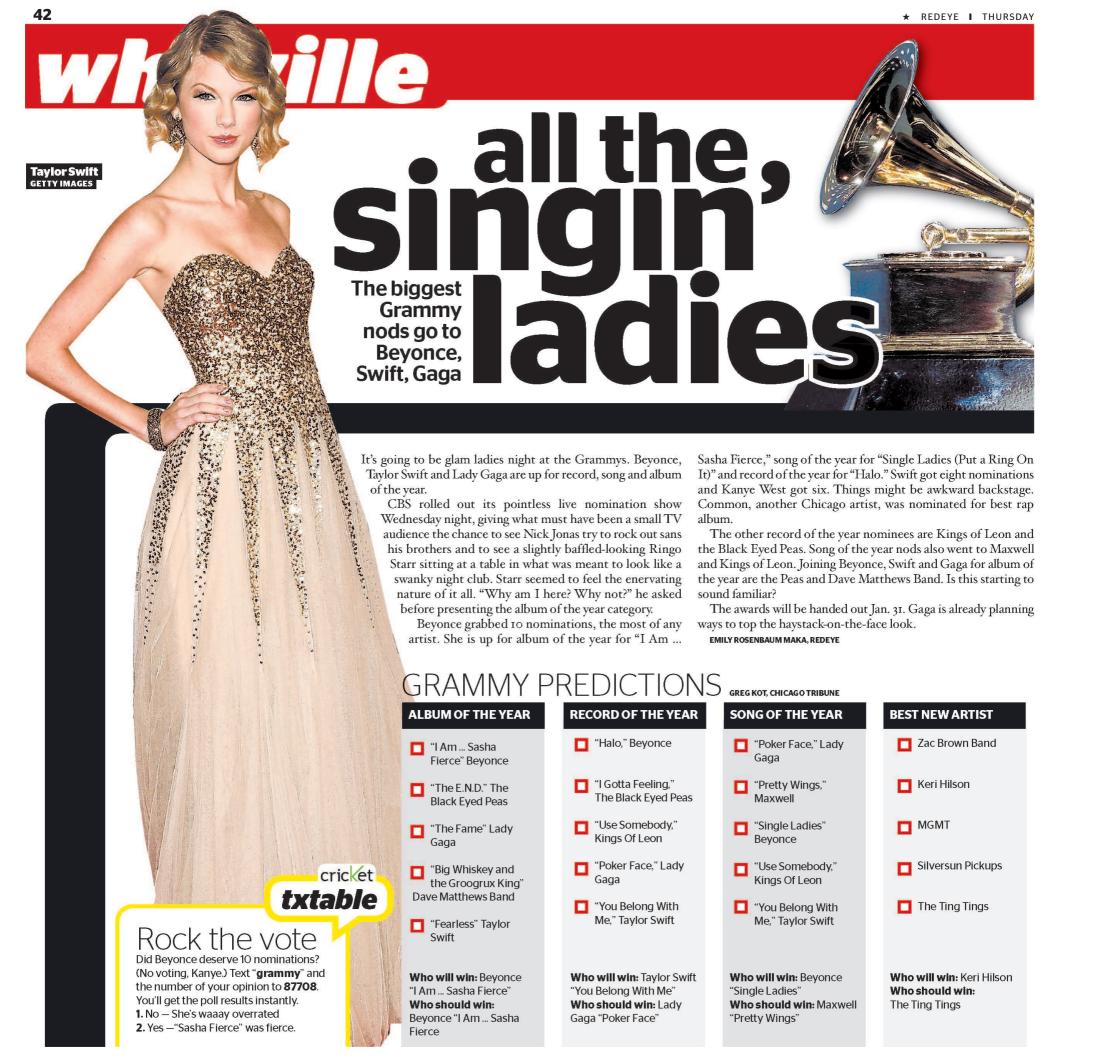




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record company about her image because

"the last thing a young woman needs is another picture of a sexy pop star writhing in sand, covered in grease, touching herself."

That's the amount of cash 50 Cent (left) says he carries with him everywhere. He flashed the wad of cash on Tyra Banks' show Tuesday. GETTYIMAGES PHOTO



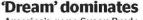
## Zac talks smack

Zac Efron feels really bad.

Efron has publicly apologized to Leonardo DiCaprio after joking that the "Titanic" star once advised him not to do heroin because it would mess up his career. Efron tells "Access Hollywood" that his sarcasm came across all wrong: "I was devastated. ... I tried to call Leo and say, 'Dude, I'm so sorry, that's not at all what I meant to say.' It was the worst feeling in the world." No word on whether any of this has registered on Leo's radar. AP PHOTO

## Bodily fluids comin' at ya

What's the only thing better than watching a bunch of guys staple their testicles on the big screen? Watching the staples fly in 3D of course! Paramount has greenlit the third "Jackass" movie, variety.com reports. Details are limited, but it is scheduled to come out in 2010 and will be shot in such exciting locales as Knob Lick, Ky., Mianus, Conn., Buttzville, N.J., and Gayville, S.D.



America's gone Susan Boyle-crazy. Her debut, "I Dreamed a Dream," smashed British records, and now the album has sold 710,000 copies in its first week stateside, quadrupling nearest competitor Adam Lambert's sales, eonline.com reports. She now holds the record for highest debut ever for a female artist and second biggest

debut album since Soundscan started keeping track. Boyle also can be seen in "I Dreamed a Dream: The Susan Boyle Story," debuting Dec. 13 on the TV Guide Network.

## Are you fascinated?

On Dec. 9, ABC will air Barbara Walters' special "The 10 Most Fascinating People of 2009." What's even more fascinating is some of the people who made the list, namely-counting as one-Michael Jackson's children: Paris, Prince Michael and Prince Michael II (known as Blanket). Here are the other eight, with the 10th to be announced on the show:

- » Lady Gaga
- » Tyler Perry
- » Kate Gosselin
- » Glenn Beck » Sarah Palin
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